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BEGIN SUMMARY. IN CONSIDERING SUBJECT MATTER, ALL NATIONS EXCEPT US FAVORED APPLICATION OF PARA 14 OF STANAG 4107, WHEREBY THEY WOULD BEXTEND QUALITY ASSURANC E SERVICES FREE OF CHARGE TO NATO FOR ALL PROJECTS FOR WHICH NICSMA MIGHT REQUEST SUCH SERVICES. END SUMMARY.

1. REF A CONCURRED IN REF B PROPOSAL ON SUBJECT MATTER WHICH THE US PRESENTED TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE. THE US PROPOSAL IS THAT:

A. FOR NICS HARDWARE PROCURMENT, THE PARENT COUNTRY OF THE CONTRACTOR WILL NOT PROVIDE FREE QUALITY ASSURANCE SERVICE (SUCH SERVICES SHOULD BE FUNDED IN A MANNER SIMILAR TO THOSE FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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B. FOR NICS INSTALLATIONS, THE HOST COUNTRY IN WHICH THE INSTALLATION IS LOCATED WILL PROVIDE FREE QUALITY ASSURANCE

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(INSPECTION) SERVICE.

2. ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE ARE SHOWN IN REF C, MOST SIGNIFICANT OF WHICH ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. NOTED THE STATEMENT BY THE DANISH UK REPS THAT THEIR AUTHORITIES, WHO HAD NOT YET WITHDRAWN THEIR RESERVATION ON PARA 14 OF STANAG 4107-MUTUAL ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNMENT QUALITY ASSURANCE-, COULD ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL, NICMSA, THAT GOVERNMENTAL QUALITY ASSURANCE SERVICES BE EXTENDED FREE OF CHARGE TO NATO FOR NICS PROJECTS.

B. INVITED THE US TO RECONSIDER THEIR POSITION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF.

C. SUBJECT TO RESERVATION BY THE US AND CONFIRMATION BY TURKEY, NOTED THAT ALL PARTICIPATNG NATIONS EXPRESSED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO EXTEND QUALITY ASSURANCE SERVICES FREE OF CHARGE TO NATO FOR ALL PROJECTS FOR WHICH NICSMA MIGHT REQUEST SUCH SERVICES IN ITS CAPACITY AS HOST NATION.

3. IN LIGHT OF POTENTIAL SIZABLE NICS PROCUREMENT IN THE US IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE, WE CONTINUE TO QUESTION ADVISABILITY OF ACCEPTANCE OF POSITION CITED IN PARA 2(C) ABOVE. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT DENMARK NOW INTENDS TO ENDORSE STANAG 4107 IN THE NEAR FUTURE AND WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY NICSMA SOURCE THAT US HAS SIMILAR ACTION UNDER CONSIDERATION. IF LATTER PROVES TO BE TRUE, AGREEMENT WOULD PRESUMABLY APPLY TO NICS PROJECTS. REQUEST GUIDANCE. MCAULIFFE

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